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Dated 24th November 1948

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Grow More Food - New Well Subsidy Scheme - 1947-48 - Progress report - August 1948 - Board's Review - Recorded.

Revenue Department.
Abstract.

Grow More Food - Well Subsidy Schemes - New Well Subsidy Scheme-1947-48 - Progress Report for the month of August 1948 - Reviewed

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Res. Rt.No. 6877.
Station: Chepauk, Madras. Dated 15th October 1

From

T.S. Ra[illegible]q., I.C.S.,
Special Officer (Wells), Board of Revenue,

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V.N.Kudva, Esq-.C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue, Excise and Prohibition.

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Read the following: Reports from the Collectors.

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RESOLUTION:

The Board submits to the Government its review on the working of the New Well Subsidy Scheme of 1948-48 during August 1948.

2. The reports were due to the Board on 10-9-48. Only the reports from the Collectors of Chittoor, Coimbatore and South Kanara were received in time. The reports from the Collector of Krishna have not yet been received although 3 reminders have already been issued. The reports from the remaining Collectors were received late by 2 to 25 days. For the purpose of this review the details furnished by the Collector of Krishna for the month of July 1948 have been adopted in this month's review, Collectors are requested to avoid delays in the submission of their monthly reports.

3. The following table will show the progress made in the working of the scheme during the month under review:-

No. of wells subsidised.	No. of wells completed. In the month.	Upto the month.	No. of wells in progress.	No. of wells not yet started.	No. of wells in which recovery has been ordered or write off sanctioned.	Additional area brought under irrigation.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
46,532*	1,200	3,774	29,658	12,884	868	3,524,82

(8) Additional quantity of foodgrains produced- 1091.77 tons.

* Difference of 8 wells (and in the amount subsidised) between the figure furnished in the last month's return and that for the month under review is due to the altered figures submitted by the Collectors of Chittoor and Bellary.

From the Statement above it will be seen that the total of columns 3 to 6 does not tally with the number in column 1. This is due to the discrepancies in the reports from Collecto The Board also observes that as usual there are discrepancies bet ween the figures furnished in the return for July 1948 and in the present return even in respect as subsidy. The payment of subsidies under this scheme stopped on 31-3-48 and the Board is at a loss to understand how the discrepancies referred to above could arise at all unless the returns are prepared in an extremel careless manner. It is surprising that these discrepancies have escaped the notice of the Collectors. They are requested to take action against the subordinates responsible for such care leas reports.

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5. The Board observes that the number of wells completed by the end of August 1948, i.e., just one month before the expiry of the time allowed for their completion was only 8% of the total number subsidies. The number of wells in which work has not been started is very large being more than 1/3 of the total number. The circumstances in which probably due to the failure of the Revenue Divisional Officers and Special Deputy Tahsildars to inspect the works and press the grantees to expedite their construction. Such delays have been allowed to occur are not clear. This is

6. The Government have been addressed for the grant of further time for the completion of these wells. The Special Deputy Collectors for wells are requested to pay their special attention to this matter and take steps to see that the well works are taken up on hand at once and pushed through quickly.

7. The progress made in the completion of new and the repair of old tanks in the districts of Malabar and South Kanara also gives room for adverse comments. Out of 261 new and old tanks which received subsidies, only 39 have been completed. 222 more are said to be in progress. The number of works for inspection in these districts by the subordinate staff was only very small when compared with the number of wells for construction in the other districts. There is absolutely no reason why each work should not have been inspected frequently and the grantees goaded to complete their works quickly. Collectors are requested to devote their personal attention to this matter.

8. It is needless to point out the imperative necessity to make the scheme a complete success by seeing to the completion of all the wells and tanks subsidised and to their being brought into operation as quickly as possible so that the present shortage in the supply of food grains may be successfully met.

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Sd. x x x
For Special Officer (Wells).

To:

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, with Statements.
The Collectors of all districts except Madras.

Copy to:

The Director of Agriculture, Madras.
The Secretary, Ceded Districts Economic Development Board, with extract of the statements for the districts of Chittoor, Cuddapah, Bellary, Anantapur and Kurnool.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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G.O.Ms.No. 2812. Dated: 24th November 1948.
Read the following:

From the Board of Revenue, Rt.6877, dated 15-10-1948.

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ORDER:

R e c o r d e d.

2. The Board of Revenue is requested to instruct the Collectors to see that better progress is shown in respect of the construction and supervision of wells under the New Well Subsidy Scheme, 1947-48.

/By Order of His Excellency the Governor/

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Secretary to Government.

To:

The Board of Revenue.

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